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A pamphlet entitled "Three Victories of the Paraguayan People Over North American Imperialism" was distributed clandestinely in Paraguay during April 1949 by the National Directorate of the Paraguayan Communist Party (CPP). It contained the following propaganda.

1. The CPP took credit for three consecutive defeats inflicted against Yankee imperialists: a) The defeat of the Yankee agent Natalicio Gonzalez; b) The defeat of General Raimundo Rolon, presidential candidate of the Dutra government and of Yankee imperialism; and c) The liberation of political prisoners.
2. The pamphlet continued by stating that the Paraguayan people could only have democracy and peace by fighting against Yankee intervention in internal affairs, by gaining respect for Paraguay's national sovereignty and by expelling all Yankee and Brazilian Military Missions from Paraguay.
3. The pamphlet contained an attempt by the CPP to link revolutionary activities of Paraguayan exiles in Argentina with "Yankee Imperialism" without offending the Peron government.* The following translation of a paragraph from the pamphlet demonstrated the propaganda employed by the CPP in accomplishing that aim:

"At this time the American Embassy in Asuncion is making intense efforts to organize a Fascist "golpe de estado" which again, as on the 13th of January 1947, will halt the process of institutional normalization and will obstruct the democratic workers' movement to gain more ample liberties. For this reactionary blow--encouraged primarily by Yankee Imperialism--the rotten remains of Morinigism and the Guion Rojo, including those who remain in the government and the army, as well as those in exile, are being regrouped and united. In a foreign country a "Command" has been constituted, integrated by Benitez Vera, Aranda, H. Florentin, Enrique Jimenez, Paredes, Paez, Chaves Del Valle, and other Fascist legionnaires directed by civilian Nazi Manuel Bernardes, Freyre Esteves, and Avila and Rodolfo Bordon. This Command is at the service

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of foreign powers and states that it can count on the support of these powers in money and arms. The Command is backed by Morinigo and is trying to bribe commanders and officials of the Paraguayan Army. The Command counts on the support of Rogelio Benitez and other Guionista bandits and with the help of certain Febreristas and Liberal adventurers who neither understand nor represent the democratic aspirations of the Febrerista and Liberal popular masses."

2. The pamphlet called for the liquidation of the remains of dictatorship. To accomplish this objective the Paraguayan people must unite to fight for the following: a) immediate political amnesty; b) full liberties and guarantees for the legal activities of all political parties; c) elimination from the bottom up of all Fascists and Morinigist elements; d) general elections within a short time under the control of a central electoral committee with the participation of all political parties.
3. To gain these objectives, the pamphlet stated that it would be necessary to: a) grant raises in salary and wages in proportion to the rise in the cost of living since June of 1948; b) reduce the price of all articles of prime necessity; and c) deliver parcels of fertile land to small farmers on a long-term credit basis of at least ten years to pay and a charge of not more than three percent interest.

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